

**Amendments to the claims:**

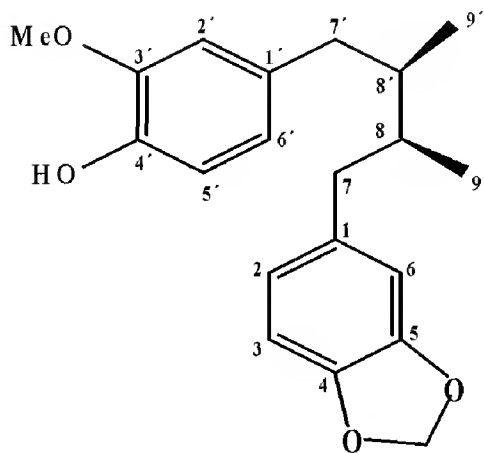
This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of claims:**

1-3. (Canceled).

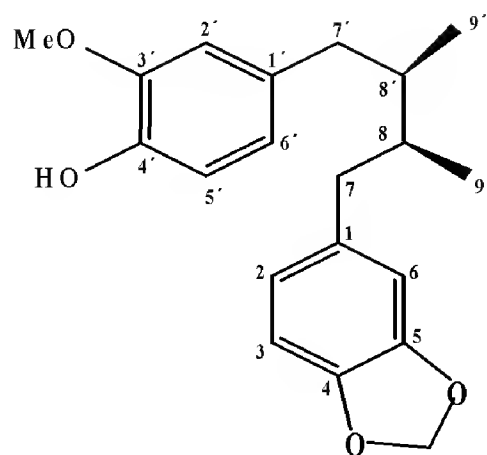
4. (Previously presented) A method for inhibiting the growth of acne-causing bacteria selected from the group consisting of *Propionibacterium acnes*, *Staphylococcus epidermis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*, the method comprising administering an effective amount of macelignan represented by Chemical Formula 1 to a subject in need thereof:

[Chemical Formula 1]



5. (Previously presented) A method for treating acne through inhibiting the growth of acne-causing bacteria, comprising administering an effective amount of macelignan represented by Chemical Formula 1 to a subject in need thereof, wherein the acne-causing bacteria are selected from the group consisting of *Propionibacterium acnes*, *Staphylococcus epidermis* and *Staphylococcus aureus*:

[Chemical Formula 1]



6-9. (Canceled).